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President Kennedy

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Gen. Taylor Made Aide To Kennedy

**Former Staff Chief
Will Be Adviser
On Military Affairs**

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President Kennedy yesterday recalled Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, former Army Chief of Staff, to active duty and made him "military representative of the President" on the White House staff.

The four-star general's first assignment, it was learned, will be to review the planning being done in the Government with relation to the Berlin crisis and to make recommendations and comments to the President.

Taylor has just completed for the President a lengthy oral report on para-military and intelligence operations as chairman of a special committee appointed after the ill-fated Cuban invasion.

"As military representative, Gen. Taylor will be staff officer advising and assisting the President with regard to these military matters which reach him as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces," a White House announcement said.

No Command Authority

Taylor will assist the President "as an adviser and staff officer primarily within the military and intelligence fields," the statement said.

"He will have no command authority but will have access to all information necessary for the discharge of his responsibilities to the President.

It was understood that the President regards Taylor's role as different from that of the late Fleet Admiral William D. Leahy, who was Chief of Staff to the President of the United States during and shortly after World War II.

Leahy presided over the Joint Chiefs of Staff and often over the Combined (British and American) Chiefs of Staff.

He was a constant presence in the President's

An Assistant to Advise

President Kennedy regards Taylor as more of a staff assistant to advise, to check on military and intelligence recommendations, to see that presidential decisions are carried out, and to act in military and intelligence operations as the President's alter ego.

In other words, his role in the military and intelligence field would be not unlike that of McGeorge Bundy, special assistant to the President for national security affairs, in the foreign field.

However, Taylor will be on active duty. As such, he will outrank because of seniority and as a former Chief of Staff military officials in the Pentagon.

The White House statement explained that Taylor "will not be interposed between the President and any of his statutory advisers or advisory bodies such as the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff or the National Security Council.

"But he will maintain close liaison with them and give his personal views to assist the President in reaching decisions.

"General Taylor will be available to represent the President when the latter desires senior military representation at home or abroad.

To Check Intelligence

"In the intelligence field, Gen. Taylor will have the responsibility of watching the function of the intelligence apparatus of the Government to assure the President it meets the future needs of the Government. He will work closely with the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board and verify that maximum use is made of its recommendations."

Rumors circulated earlier that Taylor might be chosen to succeed Allen W. Dulles as director of the Central Intelligence Agency were said to be without foundation.

Taylor was Army Chief of Staff under President Eisenhower from 1953 to 1959. From late 1959 to late 1960 he was chairman of the board of the Mexican Light and Power Co. Since January 1961, he has been president of the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in New York City.

President Kennedy returned yesterday from a weekend rest at Middleburg, Va., and was reported to be recovering from his recent back ailment and bout with a virus.

White House press secretary Pierre Salinger described the President's health as "excellent." His temperature and white blood count were normal, Salinger said, and he received his last polio shot yesterday morning.

The President went to his morning meeting before lunch after a two-hour meeting in his office with Mikhail Kharlamov, chief of the press section of the Soviet Foreign Ministry, and Alexei Adjubel, editor of Izvestia and son-in-law of Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev.

Kharlamov and Adjubel came to the United States to participate in an NBC television debate last Saturday with Salinger and Harrison E. Salisbury of The New York Times.

President Makes Some Points
Salinger took the visitors to see the President. They talked about "a wide variety of subjects," the press secretary reported.

Asked whether the President gave the Russians a message to Khrushchev, Salinger said only that Adjubel remarked that he would see his father-in-law Wednesday and that the President "made some points to him."

Salinger said that from his discussion with the Russians he believed "there is some hope that we may make some progress in better communications of the correspondents level, but it is too early to tell."

Asked whether his guests invited him to visit Russia, Salinger said the question was discussed.